

Chase County Commissioners  
May 23, 2023

The regular meeting of the Chase County Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Jacci Brown at 8:00am on Tuesday, May 23, 2023 in the meeting room of the Chase County Courthouse. Commissioners Duane Dinnel and Kurt Bernhardt and county clerk Wendy Moe were present. A copy of the agenda was kept current and available in the office of the county clerk, it was posted to the county website the day before the meeting. The agenda and open meeting act were posted.

With nobody present for open forum the board moved on to other agenda items. Karen Baker was present for SWNE Juvenile Services Community Based Grant Acceptance. Kurt Bernhardt moved to accept the State Grant Award for fiscal year 2023-2024 in the amount of \$59,551.00. Motion seconded Duane Dinnel. Duane – yes; Jacci – yes; Kurt – yes. Motion carried. Chairman Brown signed the acceptance agreement.

Duane Dinnel moved to approve claims as submitted. Motion seconded by Jacci Brown. Duane – yes; Jacci – yes; Kurt – yes. Motion carried.

PE=payroll exp, TE=travel exp, SU=supply,  
SE=service, CC=court cost, RP=repairs,  
PT=parts, L=labor, UT=utility, AP=Appt. Counsel,  
PS=Prior Service EQ=Equipment JD=Juv Div

AFLAC	PE	361.13
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AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	PE	62.25
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APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECH	IT	796.68
BLACK HILLS GAS	UT	125.6
BCBS OF NEBRASKA	PE	25350.76
BRICO PEST CONTROL	SE	30
KARON DENISE CARTER	SE	800
CHASE CO TREAS/CAFETERIA	PE	133.33
CHASE CO FAIR	SE	500
CHASE CO SCHOOLS	JD	240
CHASE CO TREASURER	SU	974.32
CLARITY & SOLUTIONS COUNSELING, LLC	JD	2736.72
COLONIAL LIFE	PE	66.82
DAN'S R US	SE	155.96
DAS STATE ACCTG	SE	156.32
HALLEY DEBUSK	SE	79.31
EAKES, INC	SU	468.92
EFTPS	PE	14192.25
STEVEN ELM SHAEUSER	CC	2140
BILLY W. ESKEW	SE	1373.4
FVFC INC	FUEL	2957.09
R. LEIGH GROTZKY	TE	24.89
HILLS FAMILY FOODS	SU	62.04
IDEAL LINEN	SE	115.6
IMPERIAL COUNTRY FORD	RP	300.03
HIGH PLAINS NEWS NORTH LLC	SE	361.75
LAKE MAC APPRAISAL	SE	15920
LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	SE	2530
MALLORY SAFETY AND SUPPLY, LLC	SU	627.6
MCI	SE	77.85
MIPS	SE	150
KEVIN MUELLER	RE	263.55
TORI KATHLEEN MUELLER	RE	434.45
DEAUN CARPENTER	SE	100

NE ASSO OF COUNTY TREASURERS	DUES	50
NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	PE	320
STATE OF NE/STATE INCOME TAX	PE	1910.64
NEBRASKA INTERACTIVE, LLC	SE	5
OFFICE SERVICE INC	SU	878.33
OPTUM BANK	PE	183
PANKONIN AG SERVICES	SE	900
PHILLIPS 66	FUEL	47.81
PRAIRIE STATES COMM.	UT	528.95
PRITCHARD & ABBOTT, INC.	SE	1770
QUADIENT LEASING USA, INC.	SE	216.27
HEATHER SCHOENHOLZ	SE	79.31
SMPC, LLC	SE	397
SWPPD	UT	161.94
TERRIE STATE	TE	8.79
W S DARLEY & CO	SU	1004.95
	Net Payroll	41395.26
	General Fund Total	132420.79
AFLAC	PE	110.18
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	PE	5.95
AMERITAS LIFE INS CORP	PE	948.37
JOHN T. ARTERBURN	SU	3080
BLACK HILLS GAS	UT	185.68
	RD	
BOKF, NA	BOND	200
BUSSELL LAND LLC	SU	520
CHASE CO TREAS/CAFETERIA	PE	40
CHASE CO COMM HOSPITAL	SE	309
CHASE COUNTY TREASURER	SU	0.6
DAN'S R US	UT	56.45
DICKINSON LAND SURVEYORS, INC.	SE	900
EFTPS	PE	3001.55
FVFC INC	FUEL	295.83
GOINGS FAMILY LMTD	SU	4500
MENDENHALL INC	SU	197.99
STATE OF NE/STATE INCOME TAX	PE	774.23
NMC	SU/EQ	362813
SAPP BROS	FUEL	4471.4
BONNIE A SMITH	SU	840
T O HAAS, LLC	SU	2420.49
VENANGO FARMS, LLC	SU	2760
WALGREN'S SUPERMARKET	SU	10.87
	Net Payroll	17069.95
	Road Fund Total	405511.54
NORMA J. HICKMAN	SE	300
	Tourism Fund Total	300
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECH	IT	1356
	Preservation & Modernization Fund Total	1356
GREAT PLAINS COMM	UT	386.52
	E911 Fund Total	386.52
CENTURY LINK	UT	10380.83
	Wireless 911 Hldg Fund Total	10380.83
	RD	
BOKF, NA	BOND	418030
	Champ/Wau Rd Bond Fund Total	418030
AIRGAS USA, LLC	SU	1366.73
ELIZABETH ARELLANO	SE	495.74
JASON M ARELLANO	SE	162.4

WILLIAM BITTNER	SE	69.54
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	SU	992.22
JOSHUA JOEL BURKE	SE	34
CHASE CO TREASURER	SU	25.08
CYNTHIA FISCHER	SE	56
FVFC INC	FUEL	668.32
AARON PATRIC GREENE	SE	41.14
TIMMIE D. GREENE	SE	1313.6
DEBRA HAYES	SE	93.8
SABRINA M. HAYES	SE	13.4
BROOKE HUBL	SE	44.14
GARY K. HUNT	SE	685.6
SHAWN JAEGER	SE	1010.08
MARCIE KELLEY	SE	227
TYLER KLEIN	SE	123.14
LEANNE L. KLEIN	SE	647.8
MELISA K. KLENTZ	SE	7.2
ELDON KUNTZELMAN	SE	238
DESIREE LOEFFLER	SE	79.52
JAYDEN C. MARIS	SE	38.8
MID-PLAINS COMM COLLEGE	SE	599
JOHN W. MILLER	SE	34
ROXANE K. MILLER	SE	39.6
JOLENE D. MUTHS	SE	107.2
CHAD OSTMEYER	SE	261
ALLISON A. PRYOR	SE	27.68
RANAE RICHARDSON	SE	133.4
EMILY VOGT	SE	29.94
RYAN P. WISNIESKI	SE	11.2
	Ambulance Fund Total	9676.27
	Grand Total All Claims	978061.95

Duane Dinnel moved to approve the minutes from the May 9, 2023 meeting as written. Motion seconded by Kurt Bernhardt. Duane – yes; Jacci – yes; Kurt – yes. Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Toney Krajewski was present to update board on current road projects. They are in the process of building up the shouldering on the blacktop west of Champion and work has started on the ditches on 347 Avenue north of Wauneta. Duane Dinnel asked about possible solutions for the asphalt in the town of Enders as it is breaking up very badly in places. Toney suggested crushed rock or gravel to at least make it more passable.

Assessor Tori Mueller and Travis Franz representing Sidwell were present to give a more thorough explanation of what Sidwell could offer the county to replace the current GWorks website. Blake Moreland, Derek Russel, Kelly Vitosh, Miles Colson and Eric Exum were also present for the discussion. Sidwell would provide the same basic services that GWorks does, they work with Vanguard and can provide all of the same tabs and features that we currently have. The current website has had several issues recently, the issue is thought to be between Vanguard and GWorks, surrounding counties who use MIPS rather than Vanguard haven't had these issues. Commissioner Dinnel doesn't know if going with a new vendor such as Sidwell is the best option as we don't fully know the root of the problem with the current website. The county currently pays GWorks between \$26,000-\$31,000 annually. Sidwell would be about \$24,000 for initial setup and then \$12,000 annually. Commissioner Brown is concerned that if we move to a different vendor to save money, we may not end up getting the services that we need. Commissioners want to gather more information before making any decisions.

At 9:00am Assessor Mueller and Brian Hill with Lake Mac Assessment were present for opening of Mass Appraisal bids. Two bids were received, both from Lake Mac Assessment, LLC. The first was for Imperial Residential, 2024 to complete a residential reappraisal for 977 parcels within the town of Imperial; Option 1: Lake Mac Assessment will solely complete the Scope of Services at a cost of \$135 per parcel for a total of \$131,895. Option 2: Lake Mac Assessment will lead the reappraisal but someone from the

Assessor's office will help with field work and entering data into the CAMA system at a cost of \$75 per parcel for a total of \$73,275.00.

The second bid was for a Rural Residential, Agricultural Homes and Outbuildings Reappraisal for 590 parcels in 2025; Option 1: Lake Mac Assessment will solely complete the Scope of Services at a cost of \$200 per parcel for a total of \$118,000. Option 2: Lake Mac Assessment will lead the reappraisal but someone from the Assessor's office will help with field work and entering data into the CAMA system at a cost of \$100 per parcel for a total of \$59,000.

Chairman Brown asked if there was a motion to accept either bid. No motions. No action taken on mass appraisal bids.

At 9:15 bids for scrap metal and aluminum were opened. Only one bid was submitted. Chuck Vette, Chuck's Trailer Sales submitted a bid for scrap aluminum only at 30 cents per pound. Kurt Bernhardt moved to accept the bid from Chuck Vette. Motion seconded by Duane Dinnel. Duane – yes; Jacci – yes; Kurt – yes. Motion carried. With no bids submitted for scrap metal, Duane Dinnel would like to have road employees use the dump truck to haul scrap steel away as time permits.

Val Jansante, Community Liaison for Congressman Adrian Smith was present to visit with the board and update them on current happenings with the Congressman's office.

Jacci Brown moved to amend the original motion from the March 14, 2023 meeting using ARPA funds to purchase a drone for the Sheriff's department, motion should be amended to now use Emergency Management funds to purchase the drone instead of ARPA funds. Motion seconded by Duane Dinnel. Duane – yes; Jacci – yes; Kurt – yes. Chairman Brown called for a vote on the original motion as amended. Duane – yes; Jacci – yes; Kurt – yes. Motion carried. Drone for Sheriff's Department will be purchased using Emergency Management funds.

Duane Dinnel would like to revisit the discussion of funding for the purchase of ambulances, upon further inspection of budgets he believes that there needs to be a transfer of monies between the ambulance and ambulance sinking funds. Jacci Brown would like to address this later on.

Sheriff Mueller present to request that meeting agendas be emailed to all elected officials on Friday before the meeting, when the commissioners get the agenda and also to request that all officials receive their budget expenditure sheets monthly.

Correspondence was reviewed. Quote from Brophy Electric to complete work needed in order to proceed with technology upgrades in the District Courtroom; annual correspondence from TERC providing notice that levels of value for real property in Chase County for tax year 2023 meet the requirements of law; correspondence from District 11 Judges notifying the board of an increase in court appointed attorney fees; Imperial Community Center minutes for April; and correspondence from Treasurer Rebecca Bernard regarding Juvenile Diversion grant requirements.

With no further business to come before the board, Chairman Brown adjourned the meeting at 10:33am. Next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 13, 2023.

CHASE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

/s/Duane Dinnel – Commissioner District #1  
/s/Jacci L. Brown – Commissioner District #2  
/s/Kurt Bernhardt – Commissioner District #3

ATTEST: /s/Wendy Moe, Chase County Clerk